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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION**

APPLICANT: SATOSHI KITAYAMA ET AL

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INVENTION: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERTER

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Between the title and the heading "Background of the Invention" on page 1,  
insert the following:

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--RELATED APPLICATION DATA

The present application claims priority to Japanese Application No. P10-345559  
filed December 4, 1998 which application is incorporated herein by reference to the  
extent permitted by law.--

Respectfully submitted,

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